

Nowalk 6 March 2. 1835.

Dear Wife

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I write this just to put your mind at rest in regard to the safety of your better half. You will be surprised I doubt not to receive a letter dated at Nowalk instead of New York. The explanation is this - I reached Farmington Wednesday noon - the travelling was so bad I could not get there sooner - on Thursday I went to New Haven & Friday to New York & arrived about 3 P.M. At 3 o'clock attended a lecture from Bro. Thompson in Dr Lansing's church where I met our abolition friends. Among the rest was Mr Benedict, Learitt's par-tner, a native of this place, who said he was coming here the next day & wished me to come with him, & so, as the committee could not well meet to decide upon our subsequent movements until Wednesday Evening, as some of them were going out of town, & as nothing could be done by me in the city, I concluded to come up here for the Sabbath. And so here I am. This is the center for the County. I preached yesterday but not on abolition in so many words & yet so as to set the whole town talking on the subject today. I lecture this evening & tomorrow & return to the city on Wednesday. I shall then send you some money & state definitely what arrangements I make in regard to our domestic affairs. I think however it is probable I shall conclude to put an addition upon the house & make it convenient. I think it can be done without great expense. If I do not go up the

Now I shall propose to the committee to let me go a month
or more to Farmington & vicinity in order to oversee the
alterations to be made & to put every thing in good order so
as to make a convenient home for us as long as we
may need it & so that Mother can have things convenient
when we are not there. I will write you the whole arrange-
ment in detail when I have fixed upon it.

The friends in N. York received me most heartily.
Remember me affectionately to all the family - a kiss to Ned -
& believe me as ever your attached husband. I need not say
that I want to be with you - I find that this want is growing
upon me & whatever arrangement I make I shall try to
make one that will allow me to be with you as much
as possible. I find every where a growing suspicion that
all is not right in the A. B. C. F. missions & also in our
Theological schools, & mark my word there will be in
less than two years a revolution of feeling in regard
to them that will astonish the community.

Yours sincerely, A. A. Phelps.

P.S. Found Mother & other friends all well - but had not
received your letter.